

**Title: Access Control Procedures** 

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## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this document is to describe Access Control procedures at Gulf University. It details principles to set guidelines of access control for users, systems, and accounts.

## 2. Scope

This document applies to all university users on campus. Also, it covers the responsibilities of users including staff members (full-time and part time academic and administrative), students and GU alumni members, vendors, and all visitors.

## 3. Acronyms

BQA	Education and Training Quality Authority
GU	Gulf University
HEC	Higher Education Council
HOD	Head of Department
IT	Information Technology
ITD	Information Technology Department
SM	Social media

#### 4. **Definitions**

**Account:** Account means the username and password provided by the Information Technology Department.

**System Account:** System account means an account that has a special purpose related to application or system administration.

#### 5. Procedure Details

### **5.1** Provisioning User Accounts

- 5.1.1. A new user account request initiated by the Human Resources Department to the ITD.
- 5.1.2. ITD personal will create the account and share first-login credentials with end user.
- 5.1.3. Users must set their passwords according to Password Policy.
- 5.1.4. Multi Factor Authentication (MFA) is configured on a conditional policy basis for all staff and accessible systems.

- 5.1.5. Users must accept the User Confidentiality Agreement.
- 5.1.6. Other accounts required by colleges, units and other departments should be requested to ITD according to User Accounts Procedure, with reason and validity justification.

#### **5.2** Provisioning System Accounts

- 5.2.1. User Accounts for systems and applications is created as per job role and/or requested by management, Deans and Heads of Departments.
- 5.2.2. System Accounts users must maintain confidentiality as in line with User Accounts Procedure.
- 5.2.3. The IT Manager must approve any temporary accounts before creation.
- 5.2.4. ITD should reset/disable any default passwords.
- 5.2.5. User and System Accounts are logged and tracked using Azure Cloud Tools frequently and periodically to ensure security and integrity.
- 5.2.6. All system accounts have default group privileges; Dean/HOD can request further privileges to ITD as per role requirements.
- 5.2.7. Account Deactivation: Account Deactivation requests are initiated by the Human Resources Department by sending a request by email or service request to ITD.

### 5.3 Physical Access

- 5.3.1. All university students, staff, visitors must wear ID Card during their work/study on-campus.
- 5.3.2. Security personnel must not allow students and visitors to access the campus without wearing an ID Card.
- 5.3.2. Vendors and contractors must get permission from the Facilities Department to enter campus.
- 5.3.3. Employees and students must notify security personnel whenever they encounter suspicious visitors or any unidentified personnel.

# 6. Responsibilities

#### **Staff Members and Students are responsible for:**

• Following this document appropriately.

#### HODs, Deans and Managers of Administrative Departments are responsible for:

• Following this document appropriately.

### IT Department is responsible for:

• Appropriate implementation of this document

## Vice President for Academic Affairs is responsible for:

• Ensuring appropriate implementation of this document.

### **University Policy Development and Review Committee is responsible for:**

• Systematic review of the effectiveness of this document.

# 7. Related Policies

• Asset Management Policy

# 8. Related Procedures

• No Related Procedures

# 9. Related References and Standards

BQA	Institutional Review Handbook
BQA	National Qualifications Framework
BQA	Programs-within-College Reviews Handbook